

Derek Dougan, now a commentator with Yorkshire Television. He recommended me

ASTON Villa and England striker Peter Withe continues his amazing life story . . .

EXCLUSIVE to Match Weekly readers.

Last week Peter told how he took a job as an apprentice electrician because he didn't think he'd make the grade and how a trial with lowly Southport ended in disappointment.

Now read how that disappointment turned to joy and a First Division chance.
NEXT WEEK: Why the Americans called me 'the wizard of the nod!'

NO LEAGUE club was prepared to show any faith in me. So I packed my bags and accepted an offer to play in South Africa.

I was beginning to wonder whether I was destined to make the grade as a professional because no-one would offer me what I

really wanted — a contract.

After turning down Preston I played one league game on trial for Barrow in the 1971-72 season — but although they were prepared to extend my loan period they wouldn't make the arrangement permanent.

So when former Southport player Billy Haydock offered me a place in his Port Elizabeth side I agreed to make a break from the English game and move abroad.

I'd never been out of England before so the move was a big step for me — and when I landed at Port Elizabeth Airport I thought I'd

made a big mistake.

First of all I hung around the airport with my wife Kathy and young son Jason for over an hour before I met up with someone from the club — only to discover that we weren't expected for

another week.
And while I was flying into Africa manager Billy Haydock was on his way out. My new team had just been hammered 8-1 and he'd quit.

Life was tough over there because as well as playing football I also had a full-time job as an electrician — and that meant I didn't see much of my

But despite all the problems which included pay cheques that

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bounced - I enjoyed my stay in Africa.

Even so, when my first season with struggling Port Elizabeth was over I was ready to come home and had asked my wife to book the tickets.

It was then that Pretoria-based Arcadia Shepherds came in for me and offered a one year contract.

And it was there that I met up with the man who was to give me my big break in the English league — Derek Dougan.

# My debt to

WITHOUT the help of former Wolves striker Derek Dougan I don't think I'd have ever broken into the First Division.

He was the man who suggested to Bill McGarry, then manager of Wolves, that I might be worth a look.

We played together for four games when he guested for Arcadia Shepherds. Derek must have given me a glowing report because Bill offered me a three

And of course I wasn't going to

turn this one down. So I set off for Molineux determined to prove that I was good enough for the First Division.

And my spell at Wolves couldn't have got off to a better start. I played in a match for the reserves against the first team . . . and scored a hat-trick!

That certainly helped convince Bill McGarry that I was worth keeping on and in 1974-75 I was offered a contract.

I was absolutely delighted -I'd have signed for £10 a week.

Wolves had a formidable team at the time and an abundance of strikers of the calibre of Alan Sunderland (now Arsenal), Peter Eastoe (Everton) and Steve Kindon (Huddersfield).

The men wearing the number nine and 10 shirts at the time were Derek and John Richards so I knew I had a tough task to establish myself.

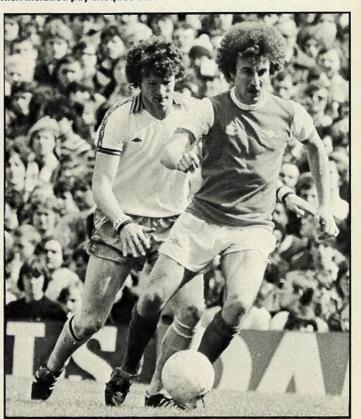
It didn't worry me that my first team chances were limited because as far as I was concerned I was still learning.

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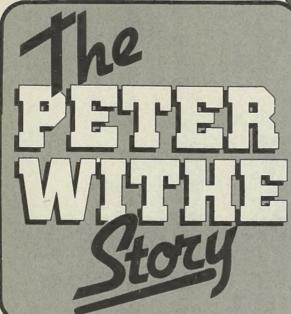
Division set up was good for me.
I heard later that Bill McGarry could have sold me to three or four lower division teams but he didn't — despite having so many strikers on his books.

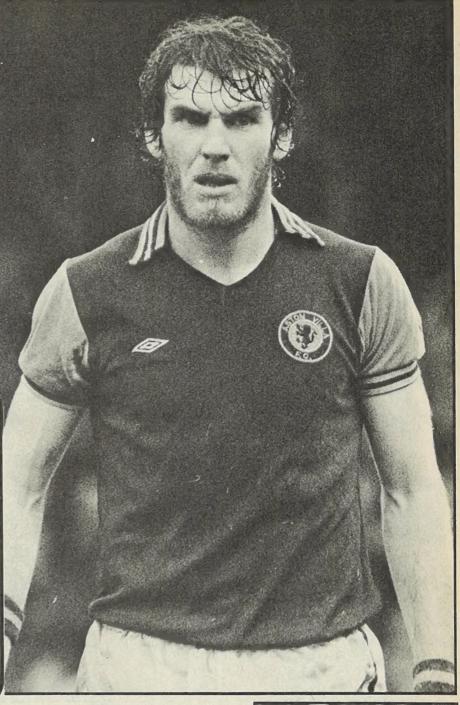
Left: An injury to Wolves striker John Richards gave me my First Division chance.





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MY FIRST Division career got off to a dream start
— with a goal on my debut for Wolves.
John Richards was injured and I took his place to restore my partnership with Derek Dougan for the game against Ipswich on March 9, 1974.
It was a needle match for Bill McGarry because since leaving the job as manager of Ipswich he'd never been in charge of a winning side against

never been in charge of a winning side against

Within 10 minutes of the start Alan Sunderland had nipped in to score and and 15 minutes later I rose above the defence to head in a Steve Daley

It was a tremendous thrill for me and I can still

remember the Wolves supporters end of the ground erupting.

The afternoon was completed by Derek Dougan who got our third in a 3-1 win and sent our 23,000

I kept my place for the next two games — away to Queens Park Rangers and home to a Liverpool side that included such established stars as Ray Clemence, Emlyn Hughes, and Kevin Keegan.

Those were my only first team appearances that season and to give me more experience the manager suggested I spend the summer in America, with Portland Timbers.

So I packed my bags and was off again . . .

Left: Arsenal's Alan Sunderland (seen in action against Villa's Allan Evans) one of five strikers on Wolves books when I joined the club.

Right: Steve Daley (now in America with Seattle Sounders) — his cross led to my first ever goal for Wolves.





### Left: Welsh within sight of World Cup final place in Spain salute their fans after the goalless draw with Russia





Above: Swiss top swoppers . . . Alfred Schweiler, (left) scorer of Switzerland's opening goal, and his captain Rene Botteron celebrate victory, complete with a pair of England shirts.

Left: Nice one, Terry! . . . Steve Coppell celebrates after Terry McDermott had converted his through ball to give England a consolation goal in Basle.

### Europe' says 'No equals in Derwall

WEST German boss Jupp Derwall reckons South America provides the only obstacle between his

the only obstacle between his team and the winning of the 1982 World Cup in Spain.
"We have no competition in Europe," said Derwall, after his team's comfortable 4-0 victory in Finland. "We may lose sometime against European opposition, but we must first come to terms with South America if we are to win in Spain."

Of 29 matches under Derwall.

Of 29 matches under Derwall, West Germany have lost only three — against Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

AUSTRIA look set to join the Germans in Spain from the Group One, after their 2-0 defeat of Bulgaria in Vienna.

Goals came from Hans Krankl (penalty in the 32nd minute) and midfielder Kurt Jara, a shot two minutes from time and with three home games left the Austrians look well set for Spain.

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NEW Zealand are tipped to make their first appearance in the World Cup Finals.

Already they have beaten Indonesia with two goals from Brian Turner in front of 85,000 in Jakarta and followed it with a 2-0 defeat of Taiwan in Auckland.

Now they need a point from the visit of Fiji in August, before taking on China, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia in the final qualifiers.

THE WORLD Cup will be kicked off to a flashy and colourful start when 10,000 balloons are released at the £420,000 opening ceremony in Barcelona next summer.

The organising committee has chosen an opening show from an advertising agency which lasts 45 minutes, involves 4,500 people, 5,000 doves . . . and the balloons.

ENGLAND'S World Cup qualifying hopes suffered a shattering blow when the Swiss part-timers struck twice in a minute in Basle. Terry McDermott pulled one back but in another off-colour showing England's chances of a place in Spain are fading fast.

The Dragons of Wales, too failed to land the win they wanted but a point from a battling goalless draw against Russia at Wrexham took them a step nearer.

Above: Take that! . . . Claudio Sulser, outpaces Kenny Sansom and Russell Osman to beat Mick Mills with this shot for Switzerland's second and match-winning goal.

Below: Down but not out . . . that's Wales and Wrexham defender Joey Jones, seen here robbing Russia's flying winger Oleg Blokhin.



### Saturday, May 30 WORLD CUP

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WALES (0) 0.

RUSSIA (0) 0.

Att: 30,000 (at Wrexham).

Wales: Davies 7, Ratcliffe 7, Jones 7, Price 6,

"PHILLIPS 8, Nicholas 7, Yorath 5, Flynn 7,

Thomas 7, Harris 6 (sub Giles), Walsh 6 (sub
Russia: Dasaev 7, Sulakvelidze 7, Chivadze 7,

Burovsky 6, Baltacha 6, Buryak 7, "BESSONOV
Burous 7, Andreyev 6, Kippiani 7 (sub
Gavrilov), Blokhin 7.

Referee: B. Galler (Switzerland).

Match Rating: \*\*

Group Four

SWITZERLAND (2) 2 (Schweiler 27, Sulser 28).

ENGLAND (0) 1 (McDermott 55).

Att: 40,000 (in Basle).

Switzerland: Burgener 7, Ludi 8, Zappa 6, Egli 6, Hermann 6 (sub Weber), Wehrli 7, Barberis 6, Hermann 6, Switzer 8, Elsener 8 (Sub Maissen).

BOTTERON 9, Schweiler 7, Sulser 8, Elsener 8 (Sub Maissen).

England: Clemence 6, Mills 6, Osman 5, Watson 5 (sub Barnes), Sansom 6, "COPPELL 7, Wilkins 5, Robson 6, Keegan 6, Mariner 6, Francis 5 (sub McDermott 6).

Referee: A. Prokop (E. Germany).

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### MULLEN (Rotherham)

**ROTHERHAM** manager lan Porterfield knew what he was doing when he travelled a few miles down the road to sign Jimmy Mullen from Sheffield Wednesday at the start of last

The defender duly underlined the faith shown in him by skippering Rotherham to the Third Division championship with some inspirational

leadership from the back. Jimmy was Wednesday's longest serving player.



### GORDON DAVIES (Fulham)

LED Fulham's goalscoring chart for the second successive season with 18 goals in 36 matches.

The Welsh international has proved to be one of the most consistent marksmen in the Third Division over the past two seasons.

He'll want to stay among the goals to keep his name in the mind of Wales manager Mike England if he is to add to the caps he collected against Iceland and Turkey last year.

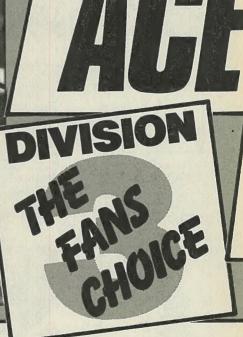
### MARK LILLIS (Huddersfield)

**HUDDERSFIELD** just missed out on promotion from Division Three but amid the disappointment at Leeds Road emerged a prospect for the future in young Mark Lillis.

He was in the wings last year when **Huddersfield clinched the Fourth Division** championship, but he did enough in 29 League outings this season to convince the fans that he was their player for the season.

He joined Huddersfield as an apprentice four years ago and made just 16 appearances before the start of this season when he blossomed into a consistent defender.







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WHO were the Third Division's 'Players of the Year'?

Match Weekly has compiled a list of supporters clubs' winners for the Third Division.

At the time of going to press, only Burnley had not decided their awards.

Next week we'll be looking at the Fourth Division's top players.

# OF CIUBS



Club	Player	L'gue apps	L'gue goals	L'gue apps	L'gue goals
Barnsley	Mike McCarthy	43		179	5
Blackpool	Terry Pashley	30	0	109	3
Brentford	Barry Tucker	23	1	125	
Carlisle	Peter Beardsley	26	10	63	18
Charlton	Nicky Johns	37	0	71	0
Chester	Grenville Millington	46	0	242	0
Chesterfield	Danny Wilson	31	6	31	6
Colchester	Mike Walker	46	0	363	0
Exeter	Tony Kellow	46	25	163	70
Fulham	Gordon Davies	36	18	111	43
Gillingham	Andy Ford	43	3	43	3
Huddersfield	Mark Lillis	29	7	40	7
Hull	Gareth Roberts	20	3	82	8
Millwall	Paul Roberts	45	0	73	0
Newport	Tommy Tynan	44	13	90	28
Oxford	Malcolm Shotton	38	5	38	5
Plymouth	David Kemp	46	24	73	39
Portsmouth	Keith Viney	41	0	136	3
Reading	Steve Hetzke	45	5	222	21
Rotherham	Jimmy Mullen	44	1	44	1
Sheff United	Bob Hatton	44	17	44	17
Swindon	Russell Lewis	37	2	89	5
Walsall	Don Penn	28	8	83	36



# BOB HATTON (Sheffield United)

MUCH-travelled striker Bob Hatton has always given full value for money for his nine clubs.

Last season Sheffield United fans saw for themselves his experience and goal grabbing ability even though they had the disappointment of watching United slip into the Fourth Division for the first time in their history.

Bob collected 17 goals in his first season at Bramall Lane.

### MIKE WALKER (Colchester)

HAS been the backbone of the Colchester United team for the last eight seasons and is one of the League's most experienced goalkeepers.

The Welsh under 23 international was ever-present last season but even his know-how couldn't prevent Colchester from being relegated from Division Three.







WITH a shuffle of the feet and a shake of the shoulders, Peter Barnes wriggled through the Tottenham defence to score the kind of goal they'll be talking about in the West Midlands for years.

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Spurs might have had one eye on the twin towers of Wembley beckoning them to the Cup Final a week later but that shouldn't detract from this brilliant solo effort which left Ricky Villa, Mark Hazard and Don McAllister sprawling in the winger's wake.

Ally Brown had put Albion ahead in the eighth minute before Barnes stormed through ten minutes from the interval.

From a throw in, he took the return from Batson and set off on a mazy dribble like a serpent through sand, finally shaking off Hazard's tackle and wrong-footingM cAllister before blasting a left foot shot into the roof of the net.

It was a goal which not only made the fans snatch their breath and inspired Albion to a 4-2 victory, but which also

# Golden Goal

caught the eye of England manager Ron Greenwood, who immediately re-called Peter to his squad against Brazil.

The goal that clinched glory for Liverpool

MATCH WEEKLY

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### Five goals — but Stein was disappointed!

FIVE goals in two days was striker Brian Stein's Christmas present to Luton Town fans.

On Boxing Day last season his two goals sunk fellow Second Division promotion challengers Chelsea at

Kenilworth Road.

And 24 hours later he was on the score sheet again to notch up the first hat-trick of his

career.
"I was a bit disappointed because I should have had three goals against Chelsea that would have made it two hat-tricks in two days," said

Smarting from his miss against Chelsea, Brian got on the goal trail within 13 minutes of the start at struggling Bristol Rovers.

"Alan West beat the offside trap with a beautiful chip pass and I hit the ball to the right of the oncoming keeper," said

'My second came 10 minutes before half-time. Geoffrey Ingram's shot was parried by the keeper and I hit the rebound through a pile of bodies into the

"My third came when I turned quickly in the penalty area and a gap opened up in front of me so I just hit the ball as hard as I could.

"The Bristol players presented me with the ball after the game — it's one of my most prized mementos," added Brian, who scored 19 league goals last season.

Right: Luton's Brian Stein — disappointed not to score two hat-tricks in two days.

### Leighton's 'extraspecial' hat-trick

IT TOOK Swansea's Leighton James 12 years to score his first ever League hat-trick . . and he did it against his

"It was a great feeling when the third goal went in,"

Toshack gave me the job of taking the penalties — and that produced the unexpected bonus of two hat-tricks,"

"I hit one from the spot against Derby and two penalties when I collected my second hat-trick at home

season with 16 League goals as Swansea gained promotion to Division One for the first time in their

After both games a delighted Leighton was presented

"But I've only got the memory of the games now because I gave both balls away. One went to a charity and

Five of Leighton's goals came from the spot and it's been the winger's best ever season for scoring goals.

hat-tricks in six months after a 12 year wait.



former club, Derby County.

said Leighton. "But the fact it was against my old team-mates made it extra special."

After waiting so long for his first hat-trick the Welsh

international grabbed another less than six months later.

"When Leighton Phillips was injured manager John added Leighton.

to Bolton," he said.

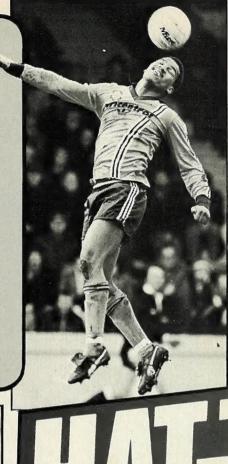
The former Burnley, Derby and QPR star finished the history.

with the match ball.

the other to a friend," he added.

Above: Swansea's Leighton James — two





### **DIVISION ONE**

Here's a full list of

all the hat-tricks

scored in Football

League games last

Justin Fashanu (Norwich) v Stoke John Hawley (Sunderland) v Man City Clive Allen (Crystal Pal) v Middlesbrough **Bob Latchford (Everton) v Crystal Palace** Gordon Smith (Brighton) v Coventry
Mike Flanagan (Crystal Palace) v Southampton
Garth Crooks (Spurs) v Crystal Palace
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### **DIVISION TWO**

Brian Kidd (Bolton) v Newcastle Leighton James (Swansea) v Derby **Bob Lee (Bristol Rovers) v Newcastle** Brian Kidd (Bolton) v Cambridge Brian Stein (Luton) v Bristol Rovers Leighton James (Swansea) v Bolton David Cross (West Ham) v Grimsby Andy McCulloch (Sheff Wed) v Cambridge Paul Goddard (West Ham) v QPR

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SCORING a hat-trick is every player's dream . but it's a feat achieved by few.

Match Weekly talks to some of the stars who hit the headlines last season by scoring three goals in a game and relives with them a day they'll never

Garth Crooks' partnership up front for Spurs with Steve Archibald last season spelt trouble for defences and plenty of

The former Stoke striker finished his tirst season at White Hart Lane with an FA Cup winners medal, 16 league goals and a hat-trick against bottom of the table Crystal Palace.

Garth grabbed three in Spurs

Tony Kellow (Exeter) v Chariton Alan Birch (Chesterfield) v Carlisle Steve Kindon (Huddersfield) v Exeter Trevor Aylott (Barnsley) v Hull
Tony Kellow (Exeter) v Gillingham
Mick Tait (Portsmouth) v Exeter
Andy Rowland (Swindon) v Sheff Utd Ernie Moss (Chesterfield) v Walsall Gordon Staniforth (Carlisle) v Burnley Ronnie Glavin (Barnsley) v Newport

### **DIVISION FOUR**

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Division scene last season with 15

Under-21 international's impressive tally were two hat-tricks against relegated Norwich and Leeds.

Chapman was in fact one of only two players to score two hat-tricks last season in Division One.

The form of the blond striker has made him a target for other First Division clubs — especially with rumours that Lee has refused to renew his contract with Stoke.

### **Melrose magic doomed Norwich**

LEICESTER'S Jim Melrose had to wait until the final Saturday of the season for his first hat-trick in the English League - and it sent

Norwich tumbling into the Second Division.

Jim, Leicester's £250,000 signing from
Partick Thistle at the beginning of last
season, scored all his side's goals in a 3-2
win over Norwich at Carrey Band win over Norwich at Carrow Road.

It was great to finish my short First Division career with a hat-trick," said Jim. Leicester were already doomed to Division Two, but Norwich had to beat them

to stay up. Jim delivered an early blow to their hopes with a goal after 19 minutes. He remembers: "Debut-boy Norman Leet found me with a ball into the box.

"I beat Steve Walford and slipped the ball to striking partner Alan Young. His shot was

parried and I sneaked in the rebound.

'The second came after a cross from Tommy Williams. I chested it down and hit the ball past keeper Chris Woods.

The Scots striker finished off the day by chipping a shot over the 'keeper after being put clear by Paul Ramsey.

Jim struggled to find his form immediately after his move south of the border, but after the New Year he scored eight goals to take his League tally to 11.

Above: Jim Melrose, whose three goals for Leicester against Norwich sent the Carrow Road Club into Division Two.

**NEXT WEEK: More hat-trick heroes** talk to Match.

MATCH WEEKLY



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1 John Wark (Ipswich) equalled the record for most goals scored in a European cup competition when he scored his 14th against AZ Alkmaar in the final of the UEFA Cup. Whose record did he equal? For which club did he play and in what season did he set the record.

2 For which Spanish club does West German international Bernd Schuster play? Is it a) Real Sociedad, b) Valencia, c) Barcelona?

3 Which Italian First Division club has Paolo Rossi joined? 4 Graeme Souness scored two European Cup hat-tricks for Liverpool last season. Against which clubs?

5 What have Ray Kennedy (right, Liverpool), Brendon Batson (left, West Brom) and Wilf Rostron (Watford) in

6 Four of these clubs have played in all four divisions of the Football League. Can you name the odd ones out? Crystel Palace, Brighton, Huddersfield, Bolton, Northampton, Derby.

7 Aston Villa are the Football League champions. Who scored their first goal of the season and against whom?
With which club did Brighton's top scorer Michael Robinson begin his League career? 9 Which club knocked St Mirren out of the UEFA Cup last

10 Can you name the home grounds of the following clubs? a) Dundee United, b) York City, c) Lincoln City.



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lust for fun we have forecast the final table of the World Cup qualifying Group Five in which Italy look certain to make it to the finals in Spain. We have missed out a few figures, can you study the table and fill them in?

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Denmark	8	2		5	6	14	
Luxembourg	8	1	2		13	17	





### Match bag winners

WINNERS of a Match Weekly kit bag in our May 30 issue were: Simon Kealey, Pocklington, Yorks.; Jeremy Rose, Bury St. Edmunds; Michael Herd, Abingdon, Oxon.; David Pearce, Beaconsfield, Bucks.; Paul Bewick, Peterlee, Co. Durham.

Correct answers were: Across: 1 West Ham United; 7 O'Neill; 8 lpswich; 9 Sons; 11 Bees; 12 Barry; 14 Manager; 17 Replays; 18 Leeds; 20 John; 21 Neil; 26 Pearson; 27 Carter; 28 Newport County. Down: 2 Stein; 3 Hull; 4 United; 5 Town; 6 Docherty; 10 Stand; 11 Byes; 13 Allan; 15 Aberdeen; 16 Dean; 19 Corner; 22 Elton; 23 Larry; 24 Draw; 25 Jago.

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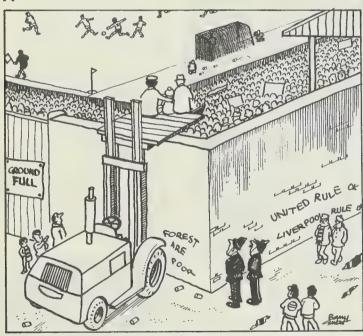
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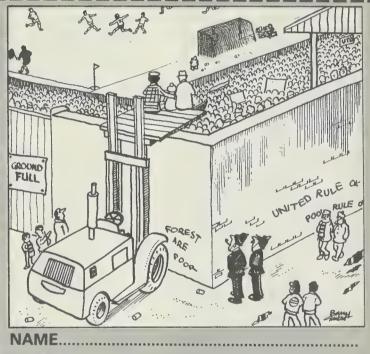
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# UNDERS' SECRET

**ASTON Villa manager Ron** Saunders revealed the season's best-kept secret when he received a £2,500 cheque for being named Bell's Manager of the Year at the recent presentation in London.

It wasn't how he masterminded his side to their first Championship win for 71 years. But rather why he is rarely seen to smile.

"It's simple," he told his fellow managers at the Cafe Royal luncheon. "My teeth slip!" The Bell's divisional awards for

the season went to West Ham's John Lyall (Div 2), Rotherham's lan Porterfield (Div 3) and Southend's Dave Smith (Div 4), who each received a silver salver and cheques for £500

Ipswich boss Bobby Robson, whose side lifted the UEFA Cup after coming so close to an amazing treble, and Swansea's John Toshack, who has taken his club from Fourth to First Division in just four seasons, each received special awards of a silver salver and a £500 cheque.



Pictured left to right are John Lyall, Raymond Miquel of Bell's Whisky, Ron Saunders and lan

### Masson's a free

THE FANS who voted Don Masson "Player of the Year" last season must wait to discover whether he will be back to lead Notts County into the First Division.

The Scottish international had an agreement when he returned to Meadow Lane from Derby County that he would become a free agent if the club won promotion.

Masson, keen to sample American soccer, immediately flew out to join Minnesota Kicks once the Second Division

programme was completed. He explained: "I was in the Notts team which won two promotions in the space of three seasons in the early 1970s so you can imagine what it means to me to see them in the First Division.

"I'm contracted to Minnesota for the summer but then I'll be a free agent again. I'll play for anyone who wants me - and naturally I hope that means

### You're a woman ref!

COULD this be the shape of things to come? The North American Soccer League has appointed its first woman referse

She's mother of live Belly Ellis, who made her debut running the line in the Portland v Calgary game.

### Attack from the back!

EUROPEAN Cup winner Alan Kennedy (left) gives Liverpool colleague Phil Neal's autobiography 'Attack From The Back' the seal of approval during a sneak preview at Anfield.

Alan, whose goal gunned down Real Madrid in the final in Paris to give Liverpool their third European Cup victory, is pictured with Phil, Sammy Lee and Eire international Steve Heighway (now Tulsa Roughnecks).

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### - Davies

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WREXHAM goalkeeper Dai Davies had mixed feelings when he became Wales' most

capped goalkeeper.
His 42nd cap (against
Scotland) put him ahead of former Arsenal goalkeeper Jack Kelsey who was Dai's idol!

"It's a wonderful landmark for me, but Jack was a boyhood hero of mine," says 33-year-old Dai.

"I used to be awestruck when ✓ I watched him play. He was almost a God-like figure. It will be so sad to see his name taken out of the record books. It just made me feel so humble to be the man to beat his record.



nack Geon Paimer
He was forced to miss the club's trip to Florida because he couldn't renew his passport in time, due to the Civil Service

dispute.

Wrexham's Dai Davies - Wales most capped goalkeeper.

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### **PRIZEWINNERS**

The six winners of the 'Shankly on Soccer competition which appeared in the May 23

issue of Match are:
K. Shoolders, Mitcham, Surrey; Michael
Norden, East Herrington, Sunderland;
Graham Lamb, Whitefield, Manchester; Richard Thomas, Clifton, Bristol; Andrew Hill, Highbridge, Somerset; and Mark Ellis, Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury. Each receives a Bill Shankly double album

BOLTON'S relegation battle in the Second Division last season hardly left them with any lingering memories

lingering memories.
But at least their strike force of Brian Kidd and Neil Whatmore had something to smile about.

They both chalked up personal goalscoring milestones during the course of last season, former Manchester United and Everton star Brian topping the 150 mark in League soccer, and Neil reaching his century.

Five other players joined Brian in the 150 bracket, including another of Everton's former strikers, Joe Royle — whose seven goals for Norwich took him to 152.

David Cross, whose 22 goals made a significant contribution to West Ham's runaway success in the Second Division, also reached that goal — along with Chesterfield's Ernie

Moss, Aldershot's record signing Colin Garwood and Stockport's Les Bradd.

Among the ton-up brigade was Ray Kennedy one of Liverpool's European Cup heroes, and Luton's penalty specialist David Moss, who took his career tally to 113

Right: Steve Kindon's 18 goal last season just failed to get Huddersfield promotion for the second successive season



# MILESTONE

MEN

Spotlight
on the strikers
who reached
goalscoring
milestones
last season

Above: Bolton's twin strikers, Neil Whatmore (left) and Brian Kidd, celebrate a goal in a season when they both reached personal scoring milestones.

# 150-up

Ernie Moss. (Chesterfield) 157
Les Bradd (Stockport) 156
David Cross (West Ham) 152
Colin Garwood (Aldershot) 152
Joe Royle (Norwich) 152
Brian Kidd (Bolton) 150

Right: West Ham striker David Cross hoosted his tally with 22 goals in the Second Division last season.

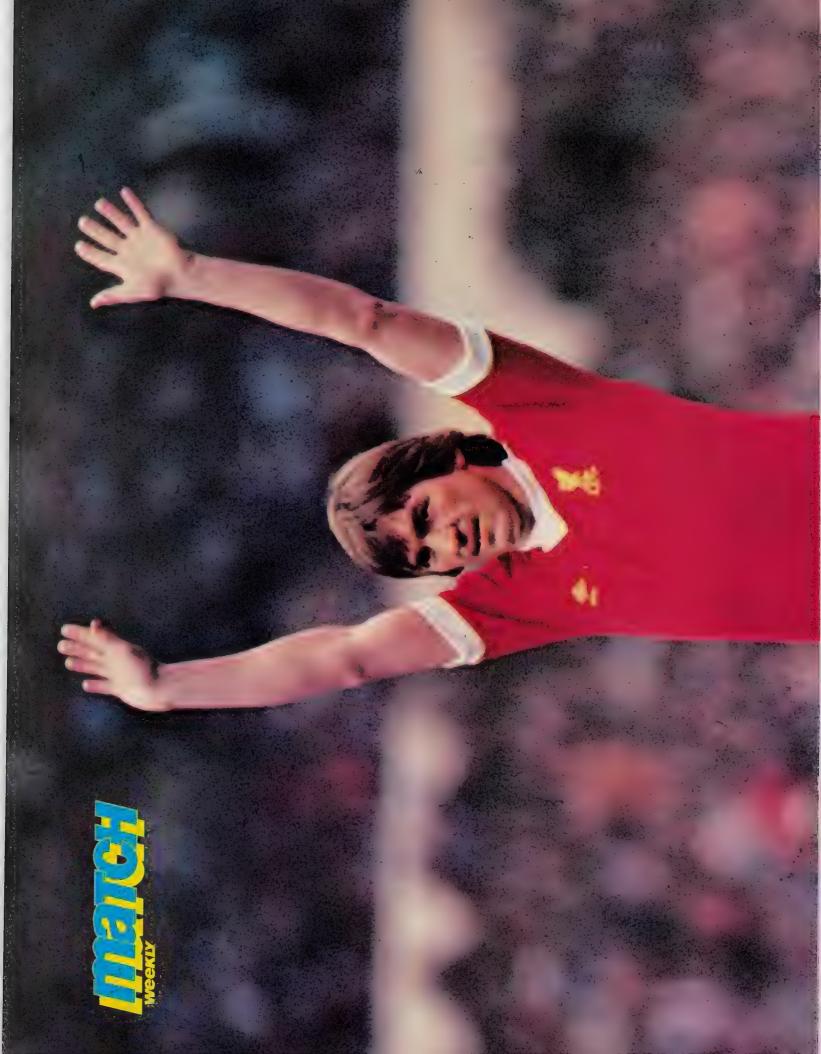
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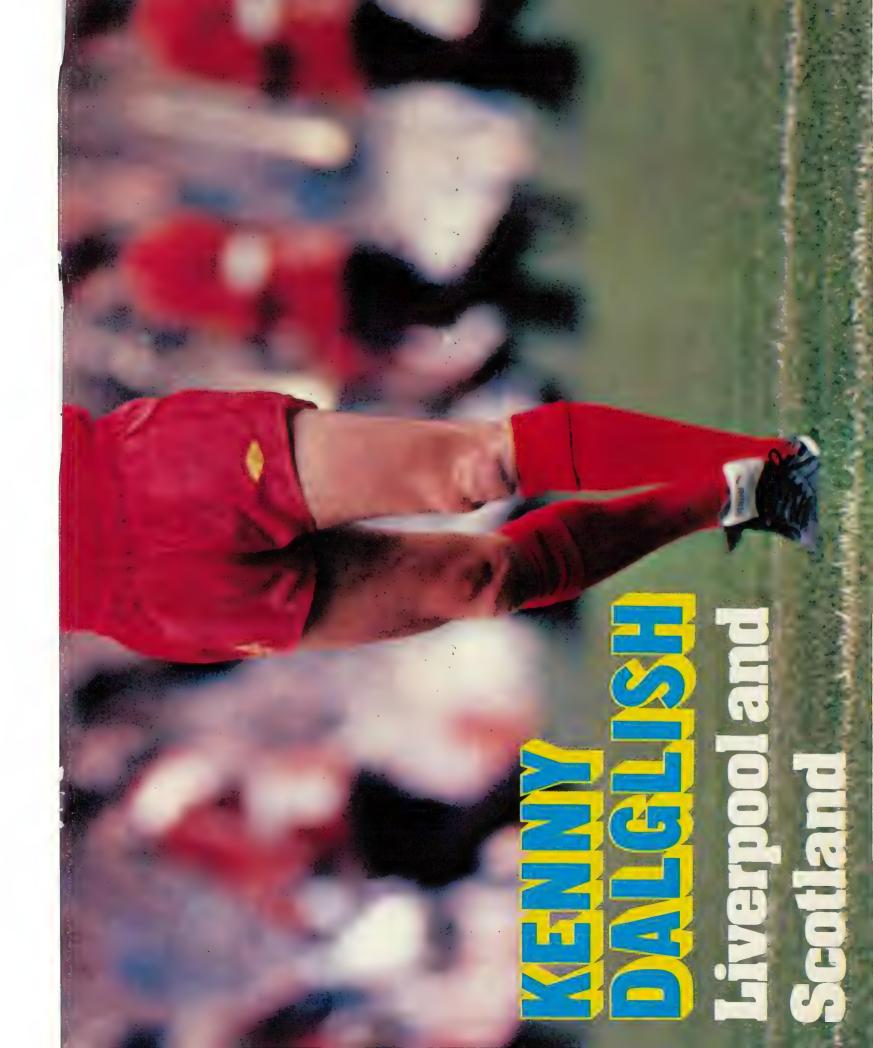
David Moss (Luton) Steve Kindon (Huddersfield) 106 105 Mick Butler (Bury) 103 **Ross Jenkins (Watford) Rodney Fern (Rotherham)** 103 103 Andy Rowland (Swindon) 102 Ray Kennedy (Liverpool) 102 Neil Whatmore (Bolton) 101 David Kemp (Plymouth)

Right: Penalty specialist David Moss took his goal tally to 113 by topping Luton's scoring chart with 16 goals.



MATCH WEEKLY







Top stopper . . . Aberdeen's 'keeper Jim Leighton, the safest hands in the Scottish Premier League

# How Celtic

CELTIC are back on top in Scotland.

Billy McNeill's side swept back to power by winning the Premier Division championship for the third time in six years, leaving defending champions Aberdeen in their wake.

The 'Bhoys' final margin of seven points was the second biggest since the Premier Division was introduced in

Celtic's 'Auld Firm' rivals Rangers also had plenty to shout about

They appeared in their sixth successive Scottish Cup Final and took the trophy back to Ibrox for the 24th time with a 4-1 replay victory over **Dundee United.** 

**But Dundee United had the** consolation of having retained the League Cup by defeating town rivals
Dundee 3-0 in the final.

And Dundee fans can look forward to plenty of 'derby' battles next season with Dundee having clinched a return ticket to the Premier Division alongside

# MAGI.

United, at the expense of St Johnstone. Like First Division champions Hibernian, Dundee spent just one

season away from Premier action. On the other hand, Hibernian's Edinburgh neighbours Hearts make the return journey for the second time in three seasons with Kilmarnock as

Coincidentally, Hearts and Kilmarnock went down together in 1977 which was also the same season Celtic clinched the championship.



Collared! . . . Tom Forsyth (Rangers) holds Dundee United's dangerman Paul Sturrock at bay. Sturrock crowned a 13-goal league season with a Scottish

### TOP STOPPERS

			Mina
			per
	Games	Goalz	goal
Jim Leighton (Aberdeen)	35	26	121
Peter McCloy (Rangers	25	22	102
Pat Bonner (Celtic)	36	37	88
Alan McCulloch		-	
(Kilmarnock)	19	21	81
Hamish McAlpine			
(Dundee U)	36	42	77
Billy Thomson (St Mirren)	36	47	69
Alan Rough (Partick)	33	43	69
Roy Baines (Morton)	35		
		57	55
John Martin (Airdrie)	23	38	54
John Brough (Hearts)	34	67	46

### KEEPERS TABLE

THE FIRST column in the table left shows the number of games played. The second column shows the number of goals conceded and the third column is the average number of

minutes' play between each goal. For instance, Dundee United's Hamish McAlpine conceded on average one league goal every 77

Note: Only Scottish League matches have been used in the compilation of this table and only goalkeepers who had played at least 18 games qualified for inclusion.

### Leighton's so safe

**ABERDEEN may have lost their Scottish** Premier Division championship to Celtic, but goalkeeper Jim Leighton proved to be the safest 'keeper in the division.

He conceded only 26 goals in Aberdeen's full League programme of

Aberdeen's full League programme of 36 matches, an average of a goal conceded every 121 minutes. Ironically, Rangers' Peter McCloy, who lost his first team place at the end of the season to former Middlesbrough goalkeeper Jim Stewart, finished second.

Partick's Alan Rough and St Mirren's Billy Thomson, the men currently occupying the places in Scotland's World Cup squad, finished outside the top five.



### SCOTTISH PREMIER

Davie Cooper . . . two goal hero of Rangers 4-1 Scottish FA Cup replay defeat of Dundee United.

# SWEDT DACK t



### **Goals' McGarvey!**

CELTIC'S Frank McGarvey was the top scorer in the Scottish Premier Division with 22

League goals.
In fact, it was a one-two for Celtic with teenage star Charlie Nicholas in second place on 17

Then came Dundee United pair Dave Dodds (14) and Paul Sturrock (13) with Rangers' Colin McAdam on 12.

Champions — Celtic Runners-up — Aberdeen Relegated — Hearts, Kilmarnock

Division One Champions — Hibernian Runners-up — Dundee Relegated — Stirling, Berwick

Champions — Queen's Park Runners-up — Queen of the South

Scottish Cup Winners — Rangers Runners-up — Dundee Utd

League Cup Winners — Dundee Utd Runners-up - Dundee

Above: McGarvey goes for goal . . . Celtic's Premier League top scorer Frank McGarvey in action against Kilmarnock

### Hat-trick King Doug

ST MIRREN striker Doug Somner was the hat-trick king in the Scottish Premier Division.

He helped himself to three hat-tricks, two in the League, against Morton and Kilmarnock, and one in the League Cup against Albion Rovers.

The other League hat-tricks came from Rangers' John McDonald against Kilmarnock and Aberdeen's Walker McCall against Airdrie.

There were hat-tricks in cup competitions for Frank McGarvey (Celtic), Mark McGhee (Aberdeen), and Dave Dodds (Dundee United).

SCOTTISH DIVISION RESULTS

KILMARNOCK Read across for home PARTICK MORTON games, down for away ABERDEEN 2-0 9-6 1-1 9-5 1-2 3-1 2-4 2-1 1-8 1-1 2-2 6-2 1-1 1-1 1-2 1-2 1-2 1-2 1-2 1-1 1-2 1-4 1-0 1-0 1-0 1-0 AIRDRIE

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**NOTE: Teams** play each other twice, making a total of 36 games per club.

**ASTON Villa's championship** success last season brought them a massive increase at the Villa Park turnstiles.

They boosted their gates by 118,000 from the previous season, which was by far the biggest increase in the country in a campaign that produced the lowest attendances since the war.

Only five clubs in the First Division showed an increase, one of them being UEFA Cup winners lpswich who boosted their figures by 64,000. Ironically, two of the five were relegated. Leicester and Norwich both

made small increases despite their relegation blues, and Southampton's coup in signing Kevin Keegan also brought a marginal increase. But overall the Football League

attendances slumped by more than 21/2 million on the previous year's figures which had showed an increase of 50,000.

A total of 21,874,282 clicked through the turnstiles with only 24 of the 92 League clubs managing to boost their gates.

Nearly three-quarters of a million supporters were lost in the First Division where Liverpool and Manchester United, traditionally the best supported clubs, suffered disastrous slumps, losing 145,000 and 137,000 respectively.

But the most dramatic slide befell relegated Crystal Palace.

Their traumatic season was completed by the loss of 232,000 fans after topping the division last year with a 130,000 increase.

The Second Division lost almost one

million fans and, but for West Ham's 88,000 increase, the situation would

have been even more desperate. Big losses were suffered by Bristol City, relegated for the second successive season, Bolton and Newcastle.

In the lower divisions, most of the clubs involved in promotion issues showed increases with Huddersfield the best with 65,184, despite just missing a Second Division ticket.

One of the eight teams with a plus sign in the Third were Blackpool, who face Fourth Division soccer for the first time in their history.

Left: Second Division champions West Ham also reached the League Cup Final. Here striker Paul Goddard (left) leaves Coventry defenders Danny Thomas and Gary Gillespie trailing during the semi-final, first leg at Highfield Road.

Right: Aston Villa skipper Dennis Mortimer and manager Ron Saunders parade the Championship trophy.

Title win brings success at the turnstiles



### **DIVISION ONE**

	1979-80		1980-81		
	Total	League	Total	League	Ups and
01.1			Gate	pos	Downs
Club	Gate	pos	706,474	1	+118.983
Aston Villa	587,491	1		2	+64,091
Ipswich	454,010	3	518,101	21	+14,394
*Leicester	391,349	1	405,743	20	+10,627
Norwich	361,733	12	372,360		
Southampton	448,031	8	450,812	6	+2,781
*Sunderland	569,507	2	556,061	17	-13,446
Arsenal	705,509	4	682,135	3	-23,374
*Birmingham	. 428,958	3	402,229	13	-26,729
Tottenham	672,385	14	643,869	9	-28,516
Leeds	478,541	11	448,655	10	-29,886
Nottm Forest	553,355	5	516,815	7	-36,540
Man City	740,709	17	703,216	12	-37,493
West Brom	470,786	10 10 10	427,217	4	-43,569
Middlesbrough	393,522	122 1 <b>9</b> 11	345,536	14	-47,986
Coventry	405,616	15	355,229	16	-50,387
Everton	602,924	. 19	548,375	15	54,549
Wolves	540,351	6	452,425	19	-87,926
Stoke	423,704	18	326,712	11	-96,992
Brighton	519,636	16	400.342	18	-119,294
Man United	1,083,761	2	946,176	8	-137,585
	936,296	1	790,567	5	-145,729
Liverpool		13	392,875	22	-232,791
C. Palace	625,666	13	332,013	22	202,701

\*Indicates teams promoted from Division Two at the end of season 1979-80.

Charts based on home games alone; 21 by each club in the First and Second Divisions; 23 in the Third and Fourth.

### **DIVISION TWO**

		101014			
	197	9-80	198		
	Total	League	Total	League	Ups and
Club	Gate	pos	Gate	pos	Downs
West Ham	480,321	7	568,924	1	+88,603
Notts County	185,182	17	200,920	2	+15,738
*Blackburn	237,157	2	245,436	4	+8,279
Cambridge	128,677	. 8	121,611	13	-7,066
*Grimsby	244,213	1	231,998	6	-12,215
Orient	152,138	14 -	129,387	17	-22,751
Luton	245,204	6	216,104	5	-29,100
Bristol Rvs	155,376	19	126,252	22	-29,124
Swansea	302,220	12	272,964	3 .	-29,256
Oldham	166,285	11	136,304	15	-29,981
*Sheff Wed	420,633	3	381,647	9	-38,986
Preston	204,770	10	158,989	20	-45,781
Watford	324,700	18	271,753	11	-52,947
Cardiff	208,456	15	142,520	19	-65,936
QPR	295,820	5	229,753	7	-66,067
Shrewsbury	184,414	13	117,852	14	-66,562
*Derby	417,983	21	350,923	8	-67,060
Wrexham	211,886	16	136,394	16	-75,492
Chelsea	488,581	4	385,852	12	-102,729
*Bolton	343,411	22	206,815	: 18	-136,596
Newcastie	490,252	9	338,736	10	-151,516
*Bristol C	397,582	20	199,157	21	-198,425

\*Indicates teams promoted or relegated at the end of season 1979-80.

Charts compiled on a gates League table basis.



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### **DIVISION THREE**

	19	979-80	1980-81		
	Total	League	Total	League	Ups and
Club	Gate	pos	Gate	pos	Downs
*Huddersfield	200,418	1	265,602	4	+65,184
Rotherham	137,400	13	184,996	1	+47,159
Plymouth	132,851	15	155,526	7	+22,675
Barnsley	273,472	11	292,714	2	+19,242
*Charlton	150,665	22	165,333	3	+14,668
*Newport	118,187	3	130,144	12	+11,957
Blackpool	133,824	18	134,738	23	+914
Exeter	105,213	8	105,270	11	+57
Carlisle	101,341	6	93,466	19	7,875
Chesterfield	178,483	4	167,431	5	-11,052
Oxford	111,139	17	89,808	14	-21,331
*Burnley	170,468	21	148,040	8	-22,428
Chester	85,707	9	61,907	18	-23,800
Brentford	179,822	19	153,493	9	-26,329
*Walsali	127,638	2	98,093	20	-29,545
Colchester	87,776	5	58,143	22	-29,633
Millwall	136,118	14	103,553	16	-32,565
Gillingham	141,009	16	107,570	15	-33,439
Reading	157,400	7	119,326	10	-38,074
Hull	137,670	20	99,339	24	-38,331
Swindon	204,745	10	154,160	17	-50,585
*Portsmouth	364,549	4	312,130	6	-52,419
*Fulham	176,796	20	116,235	13	-60,561
Sheff United	381,441	12	292,753	21	-88,688

\*Indicates teams promoted or relegated at the end of season 1979-80.

### **DIVISION FOUR**

		1979-80		1980-81	
	Total	League	Total	League	Ups and
Club	Gate	pos	Gate	pos	Downs
Doncaster	99,375	12	124,437	3	+25,062
*Southend	109,440	22	134,055	1	+24,615
Lincoln	85,392	7	108,168	2	+22,776
Darlington	45,366	22	64,110	9	+18,744
Hartlepool	67,055	19	71,175	8	+4,120
Crewe	63,141	23	66,903	17	+3,762
Scunthorpe	52,116	14	52,792	16	+676
Peterborough	95,104	8	95,145	5	+41
Tranmere	51,650	15	44,462	21	-7,188
Halifax	59,392	17	49,537	23	-9,855
Bournemouth	90,251	11	78,133	13	-12,118
Rochdale	44,305	24	56,790	15	-12,485
Stockport	66,959	16	53,811	20	-13,148
York	62,473	17	48,243	24	-14,230
Port Vale	79,623	20	63,006	19	-16,617
Northampton	69,541	13	50,507	10	-19,034
Aldershot	88,754	10	68,747	6	-20,007
Hereford	77,176	21	56,157	22	-21,019
*Wimbledon	78,802	24	57,361	4	-21,441
Torquay	73,228	9	49,296	17	-23,932
*Bury	97,497	21	63,201	12	-34,296
Wigan	135,815	6	101,489	11	-34,326
*Mansfield	125,738	23	78,976	7	-46,762
Bradford City	132,112	5	65,796	14	-66,316
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# THE SAFEST HANDS IN SOCCER-Division 2

# Blackburn's double top stoppers



THE first column in the table on the right shows the number of games played.

The second column shows the number of goals conceded and the third column is the average number of minutes' play between each goal.

For instance, Swansea's David Stewart conceded on average a goal avery 88 minutes.

every 88 minutes.

Note: Only League matches have been used in the compilation of this table and only goalkeepers who had played at least twenty games qualified for inclusion.

**BLACKBURN ROVERS may have** narrowly missed promotion to the First Division, but in Jim Arnold and John Butcher they had the safest pair of goalkeepers in the Second Division.

They conceded just 29 goals between them in 42 League matches with Jim Arnold coming

matches with Jim Arnold coming out on top as the safest goalkeeper in the division. He let in just nine goals in twenty matches, which included 14 clean sheets, and finished with a remarkable average of one goal conceded every 200 minutes.

Team mate John Butcher finished in the top five behind West Ham's Phil Parkes, Watford's Steve Sherwood and **Notts County's Raddy** Avramovic.

The record of former England 'keeper Phil Parkes is an impressive one in view of the fact that he appeared in all the League matches for runaway champions West Ham and kept 22 clean sheets.

22 clean sneets.
He conceded just 29 goals in 42 outings, and, along with Yugoslavian Raddy Avramovic, a key figure in Notts County's promotion success, proved to be the most consistent 'keeper in the division.

Left: Blackburn's Jim Arnold -Division Two's top stopper. Right: John Butcher, who's just behind his club-mate Jim Arnold in fifth place.

25 Richard Key (Cambridge)

26 Martin Thomas (Bristol Rovers)



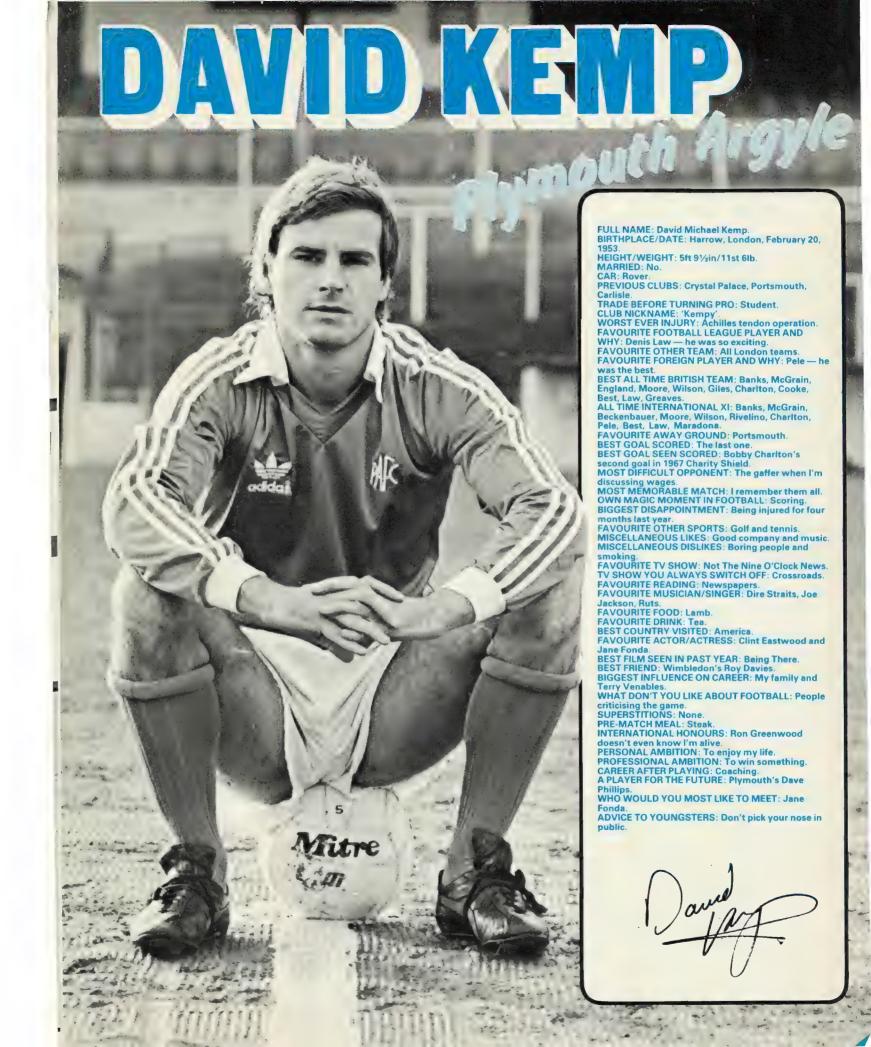
T	HE TOP STOPP	ERS		Mins played
		Games G	oals	per goal
1	Jim Arnold (Blackburn)	20	9	200
	Phil Parkes (West Ham)	42	29	130
	Steve Sherwood (Watford)	22	18	110
4	Raddy Avramovic (Notts County)	38	34	101
5	John Butcher (Blackburn)	22	20	99
	Peter McDonnell (Oldham)	22	21	94
	Nigel Batch (Grimsby)	42	42	90
	Petar Borota (Chelsea)	42	42	90
9	David Stewart (Swansea)	42	43	88
10	Jake Findlay (Luton)	40	43	84
10	Dai Davies (Wrexham)	42	45	84
12	Chris Woods (QPR)	22	24	82
13	Bob Wardle (Shrewsbury)	42	47	80
14	Kevin Carr (Newcastle)	38	42	81
15	Bob Bolder (Sheff Wed)	38	44	78
16	Roger Jones (Derby)	42	52	73
17	Mervyn Day (Orient)	39	49	72
18	Ron Healey (Cardiff)	20	26	69
19	Eric Steele (Watford)	20	27	66
19	John Platt (Oldham)	20	27	66
21	Ray Cashley (Bristol City)	20	28	64
22	Terry Poole (Bolton)	29	44	59
23	Roy Tunks (Preston)	39	60	58
23	Peter Grotier (Cardiff)	22	34	58



Phil Parkes of West Ham shows the form that's made him one of the most consistent keepers.

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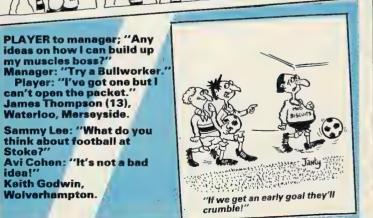
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This time last year I was trying to persuade Liam Brady that he ought to join me at Forest

instead of signing for Juventus.
The kind of talent that Hoddle and Brady possess is all too rare and we have got to persuade them that the grass is every bit as green in England as it is abroad.

As a player, I almost went to join Florence in Italy and I often wonder where that would have taken my career — but is it really as bright as it's painted on the Continent?

From the evidence supplied by the players who have taken the journey into Europe the answer has got to be NO.

Much was said at the time about Kevin Keegan's transfer from Liverpool, where he had had enormous success, to Hamburg, where he had a degree of success (sorry we beat them in the European Cup final).

But at the end of the day Keegan didn't come back to

England — he ran back. He had had enough and although he had the chance to either stay in Germany or maybe try his luck in Italy or Spain, he opted for coming home.

His team mate at

**Match columnist Brian Clough** hands out some advice to the Spurs and England Superstar

Southampton, Dave Watson, is an even better example of what I

If he had returned from Germany any quicker than he did, we might have been able to take his lead and turn Concorde into a viable proposition.

And what about Tony Woodcock, who left us at Forest some 18 months ago because he wanted the experience of playing abroad

I don't believe for one minute that he is happy out there. He's certainly not playing for Cologne as if he's happy and not representing England as if he's

happy.
The list is endless and you can even go back to the days when the likes of Jimmy Greaves and Denis Law went abroad.

I've heard Denis refer to his experience as one of the biggest mistakes of his life.

So for Glenn Hoddle — and any of our other top players contemplating a move to the Continent — I'd just like him to think again.

Left: Dave Watson — back in England at Southampton after an unhappy spell with West Germany's Werder Bremen. Below: I tried unsuccessfully to persuade Liam Brady to join Forest instead of Italy's





Keith Godwin,

Wolverhampton.

idea!'

James Thompson (13), Waterloo, Merseyside.

Avi Cohen: "It's not a bad

DONER!

# home, Hoddle!





## Where does Milne

I'm not sure how the new management set-up is going to work at Coventry City but i just hope that everyone involved finds a benefit.

I'm delighted that Dave Sexton has found himself back in work so quickly. I'm pleased for anyone who gets work, whether it be in my profession or some man looking for a job off the

**But my immediate thought** when hearing the news was to wonder what Gordon Milne was going to do.
Perhaps we'll find out next

Above left: I'd love the opportunity of keeping Glenn Hoddle in England with Forest. Below left: Tony Woodcock - I don't believe he's happy at Cologne.



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HIGHEST LEAGUE GOALS: 103, DIVIS Three (South), 1936-37. HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN SEASON: Joe Payne, 55, Division Three (South), 1936-37. MOST CAPPED PLAYER: George Cummins, Eire (19).

### Know your club

MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES: Bob Morton, 494, 1948-64. MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN TOTAL AGGREGATE: 243, Gordon Turner, RECORD TRANSFER FEE RECEIVED: £350,000 from Man City for Paul Futcher, June 1978. RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID: £200,000 to Mansfield for Mike Saxby, July 1979.

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George Martin, Dally Duncan, Syd
Owen, Sam Bartram, Bill Harvey,
Allan Brown, Alec Stock, Harry
Haslam, David Pleat (current).

### Cloughie's costly mistakes

FOREST manager Brian Clough has made some dreadful mistakes in the transfer

market.
Just look at the calibre of player he's got.
Just look at the calibre of player he's got.
If you want to be seen that the calibre of player he's got.
Woodcock (Cologne), Peter Withe
(Newcastle), Frank Gray (Leeds) and
Archie Gemmill (Birmingham).
And now, horrow of horrors, it looks as
And now, horrow of horrors, it looks as
though Peter Shilton's days are numbered
the City Ground.
He hasn't even replaced the stars with
better players. Ian Wallace, Peter Ward and
Raimondo Ponte have all struggled to

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namondo Ponte nave all struggled to claim regular first team places. I just hope he's not got plans to sell Viv Anderson and John McGovern. Jan Burr (13), Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland

 Right: Raimondo Ponte — struggled to claim a regular place in the Forest first team last season.



TO celebrate their centenary last season the Welsh Rugby Union organised a match between their national side and a team of World stars.

I reckon football could do the same thing it would be a real crowd puller and give the public a chance to see the World's best.

I'd like to see England play my World eleven - even though I reckon we would lose heavily.

Here's the World team I'd love to see: Here's the World team 'd love to see: Arconada (Spain), Tardelli (Italy), Breitner (West Germany), McQueen (Scotland), Chivadze (Russia), Thijssen (Holland), Ardiles (Argentina), Muller (W. Germany), Maradona (Argentina), Dalglish (Liverpool), Rummenigge (W. Germany). Fraser Clark (12), Loughborough, Leics.

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All the games except England v Scotland should be given the boot.

The tournament is meaningless. The

decision by England and Wales not to travel to Northern Ireland debased the competition even further. Kenneth Edwards, Scawthorpe, Doncaster.

Right: England's Ray Wilkins jinks past Scotland's Steve Archibald (left) and Joe Jordan during the Home International Championships. The England-Scotland match is the only one the fans are really interested in, says Kenneth Edwards of Scawthorpe, Doncaster.



### Whatever happened to $\ldots$

WHAT'S happened to Brighton's midfield player Peter Suddaby? All last season I looked at the Brighton teams and never once spotted the name of

the former Blackpool player.

I saw him play against Derby a couple of seasons ago and was impressed with his performance. Since then I've heard nothing about him. about him.

Please can you help me? Miss D. Thraves (16), Breaston, Derbyshire.

 PETER was troubled with a back injury all last season. However, he did make some reserve team appearances towards the end of the season.

Left: Brighton's Peter Suddaby — troubled with a back injury all last season.

### Sheffield's loyal fans

FOR loyal support you can't beat the fans of relegated Sheffield United.

It hasn't been the best of seasons for the famous Yorkshire club - they've been relegated to the Fourth Division for the first time in their history. But the fans have stayed faithful.

I've been watching them now for three years and I've rarely seen a gate less than

Our last game of the season attracted over 16,000 people — more than some First Division matches. John Fowler, Sheffield.

### Liverpool prove em wrong

LIVERPOOL have once again proved the

Critics and the media wrong.

Despite injuries to key players they still became the first English club to win the European Cup three times.

And don't forget they best West Ham 2-1 in

an exciting League Cup Final replay.
They've really made the critics eat their words. Well done lads! Richard Straughan (14), Coventry, West Midlands.

MAN UTD will walk the First Division next season.

They were so unlucky with injuries last season but when they finally got a full team together

they won the last seven games.
I reckon Spurs will be runners-up
and Aston Villa won't finish higher than fifth.

Coventry, Birmingham and

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Notts County are my bets for relegation, while QPR, Derby and Leicester will replace them. Andrew Fletcher (12), Pontypool,

 UNITED will be lucky to have a manager for the start of the new season, let alone a Championship winning side. You're booked! tttttttttt

Booked!



### I'm a real fan

I'M SICK and tired of people who only watch their teams when they're winning.

They're not true supporters. The real fans go to every home game - win, lose or draw.

I'm a true supporter because i travel to watch my favourite team, Liverpool, every home game — even through their bad patches.

Mark Worthington, Bolton, Lancs. Liverpool don't have that many bad patches! It's easy to support successful teams, but the real supporters are those who watch teams like your home town club, Bolton!

### Ban Ardiles and Co!

I'M OUTRAGED at the number of foreign players in the Football League.

Tottenham wouldn't have won the FA Cup without Ossie Ardiles and Ricky Villa; and Ipswich wouldn't have been so successful minus their Dutch pair Thijssen and Muhren.

It's meant to be an English League and I think it should be restricted to Britons.

It's about time the foreigners were told to go home and give

were told to go nome and give
English players a chance.
Murray Cummins (16), Nelson,
South Island, New Zealand.

• You're booked — I wouldn't
have missed Ricky Villa's fantastic
winner in the Cup Final for anything. Let's hope our players can pick up a few of their skills by playing alongside them.



Above: Striker Kevin Bremner, relegated in his first season with Colchester.

WHILE his brother Des has been wallowing in the limelight of Aston Villa's Championship success, young Kevin Bremner has encountered a shock introduction to English football.

introduction to English football.
Plucked from the Highland
League early last season, the
striker has seen Colchester
United plummet through the
Third Division trap door like a

At the turn of the year they were in the comparative safety of mid-table, but then took only nine points from 17 matches and it was back to the Fourth Division again.

again.
"I just don't know what went
wrong," says Kevin, who was
training to be an auctioneer's
clerk when Colchester moved in.

# Relegated - Match Weekly talks to Alan Little on Doncaster's promotion from the Fourth Division and on the tragic retirement of brother but delighted for

"We weren't doing too badly early on, but then we hit a bad patch and couldn't get out of it.

patch and couldn't get out of it.
"It's very disappointing for me
in my first season in England
because I wanted to do so well
for the club.

"I scored ten goals but never played with any real consistency and tended to squander chances by being too keep

by being too keen.
"But I hope that the experience
gained last season will put me in
good shape for the Fourth
Division when I shall be after
more goals."

Kevin had been keen to follow his brother Des to England even though he had never played in the Scottish League.

"I spent all my time playing part-time in the Highland League. That's Colchester's Kevin Bremner

"I did have a two-week trial with Celtic. But at 21 I think they felt I was too old to make the

"Then Colchester invited me down for a trial so I took a week's holiday from work. They asked me to sign and I decided to have a go.

a go.
"They were the first club to put
their actions into words."
It took Kevin time to settle into

It took Kevin time to settle into the pattern of full-time soccer.

"In fact, I became so bored after training that I could have done with a job in the afternoons. Instead I started

playing snooker," he says.

IT'S been a season of

But while he has immediately tasted the downs of soccer, brother Des has given the Bremner family a boost, and Kevin is one of his biggest admirers.

"To me Des is the most under-rated player in the Villa team. He's a real work horse and will run and run all day for the good of the team. I'm delighted he's had so much success this season."

Right: A Championship medal for Aston Villa's Des Bremner.

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Brian, the former Aston Villa striker.

And Colchester striker Kevin Bremner looks at his team's fall from the Third Division and the success of brother Des with Champions Aston Villa.



# Success oftened the blow for

time, and we proved him right. 'He gives 100 per cent all the and he's a great motivator

into the players that they were

good enough for promotion this

time - just as he did as a player before a match."

But Alan, whose former clubs Aston Villa, Southend and Barnsley have all tasted success this season, admits that the standard of the Fourth Division was mediocre.

"I don't want to undermine our achievement, but apart from the top six clubs there were a lot of mediocre teams.

'That's underlined by the fact that we got promotion with just over fifty points. When I was at Barnsley we only just got promoted with 61 points."

Alan's success has helped soften the blow suffered by the Little family when Aston Villa's Brian was forced to quit through a knee injury.

"It was obviously a big blow to me, but it was always at the back of his mind after such a long lay-off that he wouldn't play again," said Alan.



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**ACTION from England's** crucial clash with Hungary

AND we name the First Division's safest 'keeper

★ FA cup winners TOTTENHAM Hotspur, whose TALENTED stars overcame the TOUGH TACKLING Manchester City in a thrilling 1981 replay at Wembley. It was their sixth Cup triumph, having also won the League in 1951 and '61 and the League Cup in 1971 and

★ TOP defenders Phil THOMPSON (Liverpool) and Colin TODD (Liverpool) and Colin TODD
(Birmingham), both of whom have worn the No. 6 shirt for England.
★ Coventry's black pair Garry THOMPSON and Danny THOMAS both tipped for further honours

with England Under 21s. ★ Former World Cup Final referee

\* Former World Cup Final Feleres
Jack TAYLOR, who awarded
Holland a penalty in the first
minute of the 1974 World Cup Final against West Germany. Then against West Germany, Then
there's his soccer playing
namesakes Tommy (Orient), Alan
(Cambridge), Kevin (Sheff. Wed.),
and Les (Watford).
★ The TRANSFER market, where

players are bought and sold, TELEVISION coverage, TICKET touts and pre-season TOURS all part of the soccer image of the Eighties.

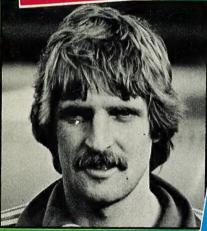
★ John TROLLOPE, who before being appointed Swindon Town's manager, broke Jimmy Dickinson's single club league Dickinson's single club league appearance record of 764.

★ TRANMERE Rovers, whose heaviest defeat was in the 1953 FA Cup... 9-1 at TOTTENHAM!

★ TIMING, the secret of the fiercest shots in football and TRANING, where players hear in TRAINING, where players keep in TRIM and managers prepare their TACTICS

Right: T is for . . . Mike Thomas, Manchester United and Wales tigerish winger.







# Did you know...

• In an FA Cup first round tie against Nuneaton Borough on Agams: Numeaton Borough on November 20, 1971, TORQUAY United took off ex-Coventry City defender Brian Hill just after half-time and replaced him with half-time and replaced him with former Bristol City winger Brian

● Arsenal had three players sent off within four days in TURF MOOR matches against Burnley when Bob McNab was dismissed in a Football League Cup-tie on November 28, 1967, and Peter Storey and Frank McLintock in a Division One match on December 1 Division One match on December

■ TORQUAY United set up a record without parallel in the Feotral without parallel in the Football League's 93 years when they drew eight Third Division matches on the trot between October 25 and December 12 in October 25 and December 13 in

Above left: T is for . . . 1981 Footballer of the Year, Frans

Left: T is for . Left: T is for . . . tough tackling Arsenal star Brian Talbot.

